

Solid Waste Overview

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DIVERSION

Lack of policy attention
Little attention in plans
Insufficient data

Stagnation

GENERATE

DISPOSAL

Insufficient data
Capacity
Consistency

Imprecision

Failure of premise
Capacity requirement
Cumbersome

Excess

Report and Recommendations

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1. Revise SW Policy

- Need link between Policy and county plans
- Reconsider preferred management options
- Update goals for waste diversion
- Assist and account for diversion in planning process
- Mandate collection and reporting of info
- Identify effective, efficient and sustainable funding

2. Maintain planning at county level

3. Accounting to correlate capacity to need

- Data on diversion and disposal
- Improve measurement and tracking
- Encourage reservation of local capacity
- Specificity in capacity descriptions
- Local zoning if no construction permit

4. Plan Development

- Revise format
- Stagger development cycle
- Improve local approval process
- Smaller Planning Committee for rural areas

Overall Improvements

- Increase information and improve understanding
- Increase precision in decision-making
- Facilitate responsiveness to needs and changing circumstances